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SUBJ: SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL'S REQUEST FOR INCLUSION IN UNESCO
EUROPEAN REGION

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1. BECASUE ALI LANKOANDE, MINISTER OF EDUCATION, HAS BEEN OUT OF THE COUNTRY FOR THE PASTTHREE WEEKS, IT WAS ONLY TODAY THAT I WAS ABLE TO DISCUSS WITH HIM THE PROBLEM OF ISRAEL'S REQUEST FOR INCLUSION IN UNESCO'S EUROPEAN REGION.

2. I PRESENTED TO LANKOANDE HISTORY OF THIS PROBLEM AND DREW ON ARGUMENTS CONTAINED PARA 7 REFTEL. LANKOANDE, WHO WILL BE CHAIRMAN OF VOLTAN DELEGATION TO 19TH GC, WAS AMAZINGLY WELL BRIEFED ON THE PROBLEM. HE RECALLED THAT PROFESSOR JOSEOPH KI-ZERBO, VOLTAN MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE BOARD, HAD VOTED FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDATION THAT 19TH GC BE GUIDED BY VIEWS OF MEMBERS OF RELEVANT REGION. HE SAID MATTER HAD BEEN THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED WITHIN GOUV AND DECISION HAD BEEN MADE TO INSTRUCT VOLTAN DELEGATION TO 19TH GC TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDATION AS WELL AS GC OMNIBUS
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RESOLUTION COMPLETING REGIONAL ASSIGNMENTS, INCLUDING ASSIGNMENT

OF ISRAEL TO EUROPEAN REGION.

3. LANKOANDE INTIMATED THAT DIRECTOR GENERAL M'BOW HAD DONE
CONSIDERABLE LOBBYING AMONG AFRICAN MEMBER STATES IN ORDER
TO INSURE FAVORABLE ACTION BY 19TH GC ON THIS PROBLEM.
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